Saturday, 30th July 1966.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore, at Thirty Minutes past Eight of the Clock.

MR. SPEAKER (SRI B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA, B.A., B.L.,) in the Chair.

STARRED QUESTIONS

(to which oral answers were given)

Ores Exploited in Channapatna and Ramanagaram Taluks.

*Q.—386. SRI T. MADAIAH GOWDA (Ramanagaram).—

Will the Minister for Industries and Commerce be pleased to state :—

(*a*) which are the ores that are found and exploited in Channapatna and Ramanagaram Taluks ;

(*b*) what is the income derived to the State during the last 5 years annually by way of Royalty or otherwise ;

(*c*) who are the licensees and the extent given to each of them ;

(*d*) the quantity of ore extracted from these Mines ?

*A.—SRI MAQSOOD ALI KHAN (Deputy Minister for Mines and Geology).—

(*a*)	Channapatna taluk	.. Corundum
	Ramanagaram taluk	.. Nil
(*b*)	1961 to 1964	.. Nil
	1965	.. Rs. 35.

(*c*) *Vide* statement appended.

(*d*) Sri Halve Gowda – 10 Kgs. The other parties have not started production.

(SRI MAQSOOD ALI KHAN)

STATEMENT.

Of Mining Leases granted in Channapatna Taluk.

							Production
1	B. Hutche Gowda.	Corundum	Kolur and Sibanahalli villages.	885 acres	20 years from 19th April 1960.	Surrendered on 26th December 1962.	...
2	Halve Gowda.	do	do	do	20 years from 24th August 1965.	...	10 Kgs.
	K. M. Md. Aziz.	do	Kollur village	68 acres	20 years from 18th January 1966.	...	...

No royalty has been realised from above mines. Sri Halave Gowda has obtained a permit for removal of 10 Kgs of corundum in 1965 on payment of a sum of Rs. 35.

SRI T. MADAIAH GOWDA.—May I know which are the ores that are found. ? Whether any extensive survey has been conducted to find out which are the ores that can be found out in Ramanagaram and Channapatna Taluks?

†SRI MAQSOOD ALI KHAN.—Only Corundum has been found as the mineral of economic importance. Surveys were conducted long before and even today intensive surveys are being conducted. I don't think any other mineral of economic importance has been found there.

SRI T. MADAIAH GOWDA.—How is Corundum which is available in Channapatna Taluk made use of either in Mysore or outside ?

SRI MAQSOOD ALI KHAN.—Two varieties of Corundum are found in this area. One is the high quality Corundum which is known as 'rubies'. These are considered as semi-precious stones, and people who are taking up mining in that area are collecting it and sending outside as semi-precious stones. The other variety is the inferior quality mineral used for grinding and polishing. I don't think any use is being made of that mineral.

Sri T. MADIAH GOWDA.—It is found that Mr. B. Hutche Gowda, a Member of this House once upon a time, took up this contract in Channapatna Taluk. What was the amount realised by him and how he made use of this corundum ?

Sri MAQSOOD ALI KHAN.—The late Sri B. Hutche Gowda surrendered his lease in the year 1962 and during the last five years, even in the year 1960-61, and 1961-62, he did not make use of the minerals. He surrendered the lease long back.

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†Indicates that the speeches or remarks have not been revised by the member concerned.

Sri T. MADIAH GOWDA.—Regarding the lease of corundum, what is the royalty realised and what is the amount for minerals that is got by the Government? It is said that the income derived by the State Government is Rs. 35. It is for only one year or for all the 25 years?

Mr. SPEAKER.—It is stated there that it is for 1965, and between 1961 to 1964 it is nil. Where is the doubt? I would suggest that a copy of the old report may be given to the Hon'ble Member. If any fresh information is got, it can be supplied to him unless it is of a confidential nature, which should not be discolsed. That would satisfy the Member. Personally I would also like to have a copy for my studies.

Sri MAQSOOD ALI KHAN.—Yes.

Minor Irrigation Works in South Kanara District.

*Q.—599. Sri A. KRISHNA SHETTY (Mangalore II.)—

Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of Minor Irrigation Works sanctioned and taken up in South Kanara District during the Third Five Year Plan period. (Yearwise and Talukwise list may be furnished);

(*b*) the estimated cost of each work;

(*c*) the progress of each work so far (till 21-3-1966);

(*d*) the extent of land that is irrigated and expected to be irrigated by each of the above works?

*A.—Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA (Deputy Minister for Minor Irrigation).—

(*a*) 177.

Year	Taluks						
	Mangalore	Puttur	Bantwal	Udipi	Coondapur	Karkal	Belthangady
1961-62 ...	5	6	3	6	2	3	1
1962 63 ...	3	7	4	6	2	1	...
1963-64 ...	2	3	2	12	18	14	6
1964-65 ...	2	7	5	4	1	1	1
1965-66 ...	4	9	5	12	5	5	10
Total ...	16	32	19	40	28	24	18

(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) *Vide* Statement 'A' placed on the table of the House†

† Copy placed in the Mysore Legislature Library, Vide No. 136, dated 30th August 1966.